# Dr. Bryana Henderson (JPL/Caltech)

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## **EXPERIENCE**

Over the last decade, Dr. Bryana Henderson has used mass spectrometry and spectroscopy to study reactions in extreme environments, ranging from photolysis and electron-induced reactions in astrophysical ices to laser-induced drug delivery via nanomachines inside cancer cells. Since joining JPL as a NASA Postdoctoral Fellow in 2012, she has studied chemistry of organics and prebiotic materials in astronomical and planetary materials and more recently has focused on instrument development using supercritical extraction technologies to improve identification of organics on the surfaces of other planets and moons of our Solar System. Dr. Henderson is now PI of several new investigations that employ spectroscopy and mass spectrometry to understand chemical evolution in icy, radiation-drenched environments like those found on Jupiter's moon Europa and on comets and to develop new robust instrumentation for detection of organics in these difficult environments. With wide-ranging applications of this work (e.g. instrument design, life detection, mission planning), her ultimate goal is to contribute towards understanding of the origins of life and habitability in our solar system and beyond.

## **EDUCATION**

2011	Ph. D., M.S. (Physical Chemistry), UCLA. Graduate Advisor: Jeffrey I. Zink
2005	B.A. (Chemistry), Lawrence University, Appleton, WI.

# **APPOINTMENTS**

2015 – Present	Scientist, Planetary Ices Group, JPL
2012 - 2015	NASA Postdoctoral Fellow, Caltech Postdoctoral Scholar (Mass
	Spectrometry, Ice Spectroscopy, Radiation Processes), JPL (advisor:
	Murthy Gudipati)
2011 - 2012	Scientific Consultant, Science and Sensors Technologies (fiber optics,
	polymer sensor design)
2005 - 2011	Research/Teaching Assistant (Physical Chemistry), UCLA
2005	Research Assistant (Atmospheric Chemistry), NASA-Langley Research
	Center, Hampton, VA (advisor: Margaret Pippen)
2004	Research Assistant (Spectroscopy), Santa Clara University REU Program

#### HONORS AND AWARDS

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2017	Invited member of the "Unlocking the Climate Record Stored within Mars' Polar
	Layered Deposits" study team. Workshops to be held by the Keck Institute for
	Space Studies at Caltech in 2017
2017	Organized/chaired session, "The Survival and Fate of Microbes and Molecules at
	the Near-Surface of Icy Worlds," Astrobiology Science Conference, Mesa, AZ
2017	Invited member of the "Cryogenic Comet Sample Return – Compelling New
	Science vs. Technological Challenges" study team. Workshops to be held by the
	Keck Institute for Space Studies at Caltech in 2017

2017	Invited talk, "Chemical processing in interstellar grains via electron and UV radiation," 253 <sup>rd</sup> ACS meeting, San Francisco, CA
2016	Invited talk, "Frontiers of Solar System Chemistry: Chemistry and Icy Bodies" session, listed as a "Must-See Presenter," 252 <sup>nd</sup> ACS meeting, Philadelphia, PA
2016	Invited talk, "How primitive are comets?" session, Bonn, Germany
2015	Early Career Travel Grant (Outer Planets Assessment Group, OPAG)
2014	American Astronomical Society International Travel Award (Exoplanet Summer Course in the Canary Islands)
2012-2014	NASA Postdoctoral Scholar Fellowship
2011	American Chemical Society WCC/Eli Lilly Travel Award
2005-2010	Regents Scholarship, University Fellowship (UCLA)
2009	NASA Group Achievement Award

# PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND SERVICE

Dr. Henderson is a member of the Astrochemistry Subdivision of the American Chemical Society, a member of the Royal Society of Chemistry, an Affiliate of the Laboratory Astrophysics Division (LAD) of the American Astronomical Association, and has served as a reviewer for NASA fellowships and proposals and manuscripts from various journals. She is a member of the Caltech Management Association and serves as a judge for science fairs and gives invited talks at local schools. Dr. Henderson has held executive board positions in the campus programming boards at Lawrence University, UCLA, and Caltech, and serves as a mentor for undergraduates and postdocs at JPL.

## **SELECTED PUBLICATIONS**

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